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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 57, Chapter 1, relative to criminal offenses involving persons licensed or permitted to sell alcoholic beverages or beer.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 57, Chapter 1, is amended by adding the following as a new part 3:

Section 57-1-30\_\_.

(a) By July 1, 1998, the department of safety shall devise a chart for the purpose of allowing a person to determine the approximate percentage of alcohol concentration in the person's blood following consumption of alcoholic beverages of various types and the rate by which such percentage increases following consumption of additional alcohol beverages. Such chart shall be arranged according to the approximate weight of the person consuming the alcoholic beverage and shall have clearly printed upon it that factors such as body type and condition, medication, fatigue, food, rate of consumption and alcohol content of the beverage will have an effect upon the person's tolerance and reaction to the amount of alcohol consumed.

(b) Upon its completion, the department shall make available a copy of such chart to all establishments licensed by the alcoholic beverage commission

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to sell alcoholic beverages and all establishments that have been granted a permit to sell beer.

(c) By September 1, 1998 all establishments licensed by the alcoholic beverage commission to sell alcoholic beverages and all establishments that have been granted a permit to sell beer pursuant to this title shall have a two foot (2) by three foot (3) copy of the chart devised by the department pursuant to this section made and posted at all entrances and exits to such establishment.

(d) It is a Class C misdemeanor for the owner of an establishment selling alcoholic beverages or beer to knowingly fail to post the chart required by subsection (c) or in the manner required by such subsection. Each day that alcoholic beverages or beer are sold at an establishment that is in violation of this section shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.